

Scout Sniper Capability Set (SSCS)

DESCRIPTION

The Scout Sniper Capability Set (SSCS) is the key element of the Marine Corps Sniper Systems. The SSCS is planning to procure sighting capabilities for the sniper team, consisting of the shooter and spotter, which will provide the necessary equipment for day and night operations. Optical devices must be attached to the M40A3 and M82A3 Sniper Rifles via a Mil-Std 1913 rail. A contract was awarded during August 2005 for the day optic, which replaced a scope that was in existence for more than 20 years. Follow-on procurements will include replacing the spotting scope, which has been in the inventory for more than 50 years. Also, night observation, laser range finding and urban capabilities are included in this package.

OPERATIONAL IMPACT

Marine Corps Sniper Systems allow Marine snipers and other designated marksmen to engage enemy targets with precision at a variety of ranges in a variety of battlefield environments and scenarios. The SSCS provides the shooter and the spotter with variable magnification and night vision capabilities.

PROGRAM STATUS

The new day scope for the Scout Sniper is manufactured by Schmidt and Bender and will replace all Unertl day scopes that have been used since 1980. The fielding effort for the new day optics is currently underway. A contract has been awarded for the Scout. Sniper Day Scope to Premier Reticles of Winchester VA for a quantity of 600 during August 2005.

Procurement Profile:	FY06	FY07
Quantity	0	0